

CLAIMS:

1. An acrylic composition comprising an acrylic component selected from acrylic resins and precursors thereof and a nanoparticulate zinc oxide UV absorber wherein the acidity of the acrylic composition is less than 0.5g KOH per kilogram of resin solids.  
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2. An acrylic composition according to claim 1 wherein the zinc oxide component comprises at least 80% by weight of particles of size in the range of  
10 from 10 to 100 nm.
3. An acrylic composition according to claim 2 wherein the zinc oxide component comprises at least 90% by weight in the range of from 10 to 50 nm.
- 15 4. A composition according to claim 1 wherein the zinc oxide is present in an amount of from loading 0.5%-50% by weight based on solids in acrylic resin.
5. An acrylic composition according to claim 1 where the acrylic component is selected from the group consisting of resins and monomer compositions for  
20 preparation thereof where a significant fraction of the monomeric units are selected from the group consisting of acrylic and methacrylic esters.
6. An acrylic composition according to claim 1 wherein the acrylic component comprises a high molecular weight thermoplastic acrylic resin.  
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7. An acrylic composition according to claim 1 wherein the acrylic component comprises a thermo setting acrylic resin or non-aqueous dispersion (NAD) acrylic which is a thermosetting solution.
- 30 8. An acrylic composition according to claim 1 in the form of an oil in water emulsion.